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In response to the Final Office Action dated October 26, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 26, 2006, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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